

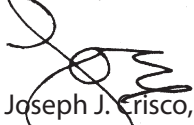
Dear Neighbor,

Thank you for taking the time to respond to my legislative survey. Your views on transportation, energy costs and the budget surplus are important in helping determine our legislative priorities.

I also want to bring you up to date on the Bio-Medical Research Trust Fund, which was created through legislation I introduced. Now in its second year, this program will provide \$1.5 million in funding for research into heart disease, cancer and other smoking-related illnesses. It is exciting that an answer to the hopes of so many patients may be found in the studies funded by this Trust Fund.

My legislative priorities are discussed in this newsletter. If you would like to discuss the issues presented here, or any other matter important to you, please do not hesitate to e-mail or call my office at 1-800-842-1420. I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,



Joseph J. Crisco, Jr.
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FROM YOUR STATE SENATOR

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2006 LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES

Health Care Insurance

My Nutmeg Partnership Insurance Plan is designed to provide affordable insurance and access to health care for people between Medicaid and Medicare. We are working on incorporating a variety of ideas, including a tax credit for businesses and individuals and other benefits that will help the uninsured.

Jobs, Jobs, Jobs

As vice chairman of the Commerce Committee, I will be working with my colleagues on initiatives that encourage economic development and create jobs for the 21st century.

On the agenda are:

- phasing out of the manufacturing property tax;
- focusing the state's economic development apparatus on job creation;
- attracting movie studio projects; and,
- encouraging university research and development through challenge grants.

Energy

To encourage energy conservation for homeowners and businesses, I will work with my colleagues to make permanent the sales and use tax exemption on weatherization products, such as insulation, window film, water heaters, natural gas furnaces, certain windows and oil furnaces.

Special Hamden Funding for the Arts and Culture

\$20,000 — Hamden Arts Commission Summer Concert Series. I was proud to secure funding that allows this wonderful community program to expand.

\$2,995 — Total Arts Presentation Grants to Three Hamden Schools:

- Wintergreen Interdistrict Magnet School
- Dunbar Hill School PTA
- Hamden Middle School PTA

\$10,874 — Connecticut League of History Organizations for "On Location: Collections Care in Context"



Opposition to 150-Foot Cell Tower

I fully support Hamden residents in their opposition to plans to construct a 150-foot cellular phone tower on a Hamden farm. Concerns about the environmental and health impact of the tower must be given every serious consideration by the Siting Council. I strongly recommend that the Siting Council review all options on this application before making a final decision.

